

Application No. UNKNOWN

Preliminary Amendment Dated July 14, 2003

Reply to Final Office Action in ASN 09/439,879 dated June 5, 2003

#### **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

On page 1 of the Specification, please replace the paragraph at lines 3-6 under the subtitle "RELATED APPLICATIONS" with the following:

--This application is a Continuation application of, and claims priority to, A.S.N. 09/439,879 entitled DRUG DELIVERY SYSTEMS & METHODS, filed on November 12, 1999, which in turn claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) to Provisional application A.S.N. 60/108,382 filed on November 13, 1998 and to Provisional application A.S.N. 60/131,644 filed on April 29, 1999, all all of whose entire disclosures are incorporated by reference herein.- -.